

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**WASHINGTON CLIMATE ADVISORY TEAM (CAT)**  
**Forestry Technical Work Group**  
**(Forestry TWG)**  
Call #2, May 23, 2007, 1:00 – 2:30pm

**Attendance:**

1. Technical Working Group members:  
Bill Messenger (for Steve Fluke), Craig Partridge, Edie Sonne-Hall, John Floberg, Becky Kelley, Llewellyn Matthews, Heath Packard, Denise Pranger, Kevin Raymond, Court Stanley, Steve Stinson, Duane Vaagen
2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff:  
Katie Bickel, Steve Roe
3. Washington Ecology (ECY) and Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) Liaisons and Attendees:  
Steve Bernath (ECY), Gail Sandlin (ECY), Nancy Pritchetz (ECY)
4. Public Attendees: None
5. Observers: Kathy O'Halloran (USFS)

**Background documents:**

(all posted at [http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/cat\\_twg\\_forest.htm](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/cat_twg_forest.htm))

1. Agenda
2. Powerpoint presentation for meeting.
3. Catalog of State Actions.
4. WestCarb Report – Two files

**Discussion items and key issues:**

1. CCS conducted a roll call.
2. CCS reviewed the Agenda for the call. The focus for the call was to review the catalog of options and assure that the list was complete and structured according to the views of the TWG. A new process for public input was described. The public can call in to the calls, but can only listen in. Public comments can be posted to Ecology's CAT web page.
3. CCS reviewed the Call #1 summary. No revisions were requested by the TWG.
4. CCS reviewed the steps for identifying priority policy options for analysis. The full draft catalog of options will be reviewed and potentially revised by the CAT during their next

(June 5) meeting. CCS will provide the nominal ratings for GHG reductions and costs and distribute the updated catalog to the TWG next week. The TWG will provide comments on the ratings to Katie via email before the June 5 CAT meeting, so that these can be communicated verbally to the CAT. Voting on priorities will occur shortly after the CAT meeting.

5. CCS and the TWG reviewed the catalog. The following changes were made to the catalog:
  - a. Option 1.1 – availability of biomass (starting with the WSU report) will be added;
  - b. Option 1.4 – expand biomass conversion technologies to other emerging technologies. “Improved Commercialization of Lignocellulosic Conversion Technologies....”. The TWG mentioned that Scandinavian countries seem to be advanced in their use of biomass.
  - c. Option 2.1 – remove the words “Clearing and” from the title. A note about the importance of parcelization will be added in the notes column.
  - d. Option 2.4 – need to pay attention to the policies that will come out of the Adaptation TWG relative to this option. Two TWG members are also on the Adaptation TWG and will look to keep the TWG updated on developments. This option could be broken up into three options (TWG will provide these three options to CCS for incorporation – “In-Stand Carbon Sequestration”, “Plantations & Biomass Production”, “Prevention of Catastrophic Fire Events”).
  - e. Option 3.1 – change title to “Improved Mill Biomass Recovery”.
  - f. Option 3.2 – will be deleted.
6. CCS reviewed the suggested schedule for the remaining TWG meetings (see below).

#### **Next steps and agreements:**

1. TWG members should provide information for the “Other Considerations” column of the catalog by Friday at noon.
2. CCS will incorporate the changes noted above and the nominal ratings into the catalog and distribute the catalog to the TWG early next week. TWG members should submit comments on CCS ratings to Katie via email. CCS will verbally report on these concerns to the CAT at the June 5 meeting. Voting on policy option priorities for analysis will occur via email shortly after the CAT meeting. CCS will distribute the results of the voting via email and review these during the next TWG call.
3. The next TWG meeting will be held on June 20, from 1-2:30 p.m.
4. TWG members should let Katie know if they have conflicts with the remaining schedule of calls: July 18, August 22, September 12, October 24, and November 14. All calls are on Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 p.m.